Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 15 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Wednesday 16 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Monday 14 Dec 2020 at 16:58 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Tuesday and Thursday. Low for detail on Wednesday and Friday.

Headline for Tuesday 15 Dec 2020: Mainly dry with some brightness. Wintry showers from late afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 15 Dec 2020

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sleet showers	Sleet	Sleet
Precipitation probability							
20%	10%	10%	10%	10%	20%	60%	40%

Forecast for Tuesday 15 Dec 2020

Weather: Mainly dry for daylight hours with some sunshine, some patchy low cloud across the Trossachs and Argyll ranges. Chance of a brief shower along coastal ranges across Argyll and Lochaber. Showers will extend more widely north from late afternoon, wintry above 950 metres or so.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70%, some cloud down to 700 metres across the Trossachs and Argyll ranges, best of the cloud breaks across Arran and Kintyre until early afternoon. Low cloud becoming extensive after dark down to 500 metres.

Visibility: Mostly very good during daylight hours. Poor in cloud and snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	36/44 S	36/45 S	33/40 S	30/37 S	28/35 S	27/34 S	31/40 S	28/35 S	33/41 S
900	25/32 S	23/31 S	23/30 S	22/28 S	21/27 S	19/26 S	22/30 S	19/27 S	22/29 S
600	35/42 S	32/39 S	31/38 S	28/35 S	26/32 S	24/31 S	27/34 S	24/30 S	27/34 S
300	17/27 S	18/28 S	15/25 S	13/21 S	12/19 S	11/19 SE	15/23 S	13/21 S	14/21 SE
Glen	9/22 S	8/20 S	9/21 S	7/18 S	6/15 S	7/17 S	7/17 S	8/18 S	7/18 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-1/-10	-2/-10	-2/-10	-2/-10	-2/-10	-2/-10	-2/-11	-3/-12	-3/-12
900	1/-6	1/-6	1/-6	1/-6	1/-5	1/-5	0/-7	-0/-7	-1/-7
600	4/-3	4/-2	4/-3	4/-2	4/-2	4/-2	3/-3	3/-3	2/-4
300	6/2	6/2	6/1	6/2	6/2	6/2	5/1	5/1	4/1
Glen	7/5	7/5	7/4	7/5	7/6	7/5	6/4	6/3	6/4
Freezing Level*	1000m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	900m	800m	900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Notable wind chill at height. Icy surfaces at higher elevations.

Forecast for Wednesday 16 Dec 2020
Weather: Widespread rain, with snow on higher summits, spreading north in the morning. Turning dry in the afternoon but further widespread rain and higher summit snow spreading east after dark. Very windy.

Maximum wind: Southerly gusts 50 to 60 mph for most of the day on the tops.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Widespread low cloud between 450 and 700 metres in morning rain and snow, this breaking up from the west for a short while in the afternoon before returning from id-afternoon. Low confidence for detail at this stage.

Visibility: Mainly good outside of low cloud and rain

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 rising to 8 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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